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ATTACHMENT 2

COMMENTARY ON CCP DIRECTIVE ON AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES

(NOTE: Comments are keyed to previous report entitled: Comment on Some Impressions of Agricultural Organization and Planning in China)

1. Paragraph 1, page AAA 7: This general statement of shortcomings in the agrarian program so far bears out the remark concerning enthusiasm and wishful thinking included in paragraph 4 of our commentary.

2. Paragraph 2, page AAA 8: The last sentence shows that production and other aspects of the agrarian program have not come up to what was planned, as indicated in paragraph 4 of our commentary.

3. Paragraph B, bottom of page AAA 8: Mention of draft animals as the chief source of power in agricultural production points up the lack of adequate mechanization, as mentioned in paragraph 13 of our commentary.

4. Paragraph 1, page AAA 10: This gives an indication of the problems of providing the peasants with opportunity for sideline production, an opportunity claimed by Chou En-lai to have been given to every collective farmer, as mentioned in paragraph 13 of our commentary.

5. Paragraphs 3, 4 and 5, Page AAA 10: Overenthusiasm, as indicated in paragraph 4 of our commentary, has evidently resulted in setting targets too high. It is noted that the term "communism" belies the Indian writer's belief that totalitarian compulsion is a thing of the past, as mentioned in paragraph 12 of our commentary.

6. Paragraph 2, page AAA 11: The mention of agricultural taxation and collective purchase plans implies responsibilities on the part of the peasants which may bear on the subject of credit security, as mentioned in paragraph 14 of our commentary.

7. Last paragraph, page AAA 11: The present lack of capability to provide mechanization points up the fact that it is the peasant who will bear the burden of increasing production, not government investment. This was emphasized in paragraph 6 of our commentary.

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8. Paragraph 2, page AAA 12: Another indication of overenthusiastic planning (our commentary, paragraph 4), and an implication that the incentive of the peasant has been dampened (see paragraph 9 of our commentary).

9. Paragraph 4, page AAA 13: Here, in the term "rational mobilization of collective labor" is another hint that the totalitarianism mentioned in paragraph 12 of our commentary is not yet a thing of the past.

10. Paragraph D, page AAA 14: The last two sentences also indicate improper practices smacking of totalitarian compulsion (our commentary, paragraph 12).

11. Paragraph E, page AAA 14: This indicates that Chou En-lai's statement about a separate plot of land for every farmer (our commentary, paragraph 13) has been hitherto honored in the breach.

12. Page AAA 15: The underlined portions of this page reveal the difficulties still being met in providing incentives for the peasant while at the same time extracting taxes from him (see paragraph 5 of our commentary).

13. Last paragraph, page AAA 16: Compulsory transfer of property without consideration of the opinions of the masses indicates the survival of totalitarian compulsion, as mentioned in paragraph 12 of our commentary.

14. Paragraphs C and D, page AAA 17: Here are indications that failure to pay dividends has been endangering the trust of cooperative members, and that their investments have perhaps not been strictly regarded as voluntary (see our commentary, paragraph 6, and the last part of paragraph 9).

15. Paragraph E, page AAA 17: Another indication that plots of land for cooperative members are either inadequate or not permitted (see our commentary, paragraph 13).

16. Paragraphs 1 and 3: More indications that planning so far has been unrealistic and overenthusiastic, and that dictation by higher authorities is not yet a thing of the past, as mentioned respectively in our commentary, paragraphs 4 and 12.





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17. Last paragraph, page AAA 19: Another clear statement concerning the persistence of coercion, dictation and commandism (see paragraph 12 of our commentary).

18. Paragraph 5, page AAA 20: The concern of the government for providing an incentive to the peasant, and a strong indication that there have been failures in this respect, are shown in this paragraph (see our commentary, paragraphs 9, 12 and 15).

19. Paragraphs 4 and 6, page AAA 25: Compulsion and oversimplification of planning are here indicated (see our commentary, paragraphs 12 and 14.

20. Paragraph 5, page AAA 26: The problem of supplying incentive to the peasant is here again stressed (see our commentary, paragraphs 9 and 11).





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